



## Declaration for Utility or Design Patent Application

As the sole below-named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name and that I believe that I am the original, first, and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention titled Thermo-Mechanical Modification of Nonwoven Webs, the original specification of which was filed on 3/11/96 and was given the Application No. 8/613336 and received Patent No. 6,051,177 and for which a CPA was later filed and was given Application No. 9/532,395 and which has the following title: Thermo-Mechanical Modification of Nonwoven Webs.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath or declaration. I acknowledge a duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Please send correspondence and make telephone calls to the Inventor named below.

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